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Mr. Jim Oberlander
STATE OF WASHINGTON
Department of Ecology
MS-LU-11
Olympia, WA 98504

Dear Jim:

Enclosed for your review please find:

- 1) Product Bulletin Fremont 550
- 2) OSHA sheet
- 3) Handling precautions

Should you feel we can provide you with any other non-proprietary information, please do not hesitate to contact Mr. Dennis Yeavello, Director of Regulatory Affairs.

Respectfully.


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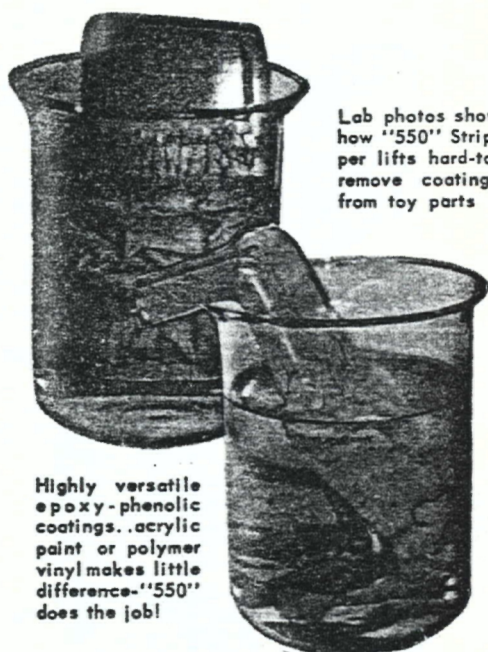
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Fremont Industries

New Stripper FREMONT "Free-Off-550"

In step with the constant improvements in product finishes, Fremont Chemists have now developed a new High Quality Cold Stripper that is especially effective on Hard-To-Remove finishes.



Lab photos show how "550" Stripper lifts hard-to-remove coatings from toy parts

Highly versatile epoxy-phenolic coatings, acrylic paint or polymer vinyl makes little difference—"550" does the job!

"Free-Off 550" Stripper was designed to remove: Epoxy, Phenolic Coatings, Polymer vinyl coatings, Acrylic coatings, Fluidized epoxy, Platisol Coatings and other hard to strip finishes.

"Free-Off-550" is very easy to rinse off with water . . . it leaves a clean stripped surface for refinishing - no hand scrubbing is necessary.

This easy-to-rinse feature is due to the fine balanced emulsifier system. It also contains inhibitors to minimize customary attack on base metals.

Real worthwhile feature. Long tank life coupled with uniformly constant efficiency . . . in use you will find this product tends to maintain the same efficiency without any appreciable time variation as succeeding items to be stripped are added -

this factor along with the low rate of evaporation makes "Free-Off-550" a very economical product to use.

Once "Free-Off-550" reaches the base metal, it actually "lifts" the finish (to be stripped) off and because the product does not dissolve the finish there is very little contamination of the stripper. The product has no flash point. It can be used on ferrous metals . . . also on non-ferrous metals when stripper exposure time is controlled. It is not recommended for zinc or cadmium plated parts or fixtures.

Use: Fremont "Free-Off-550" should be used undiluted at room temperature by soaking process. When product is not in use it is recommended that it be covered to minimize evaporation.

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Fremont 550, Continued:

Product is preferably used in stainless steel (316 ss) tank, aluminum 3003 series H-14 temper (.100 thickness), or polyethylene lined tanks. It is commonly used in cold rolled steel tanks, however there may be deterioration of this type tank over a long duration of time. Product should not be used in any type of galvanized or rubber-lined tank. The use of Fremont 550 in any other tank construction material should be verified with Fremont Technical Representative.

CAUTION: Contains cresylic acid, formic acid. Irritating to skin and respiratory tract. Direct contact can cause severe eye and skin injury. Overexposure to vapors can cause headache, dizziness and nausea.

SAFETY and FIRST AID: Keep container closed when not in use. Keep out of reach of children. Do not take internally. For skin and eye contact, flush immediately with plenty of water for 15 minutes and call physician immediately. For inhalation exposure, take to fresh air.

PRECAUTIONS: When handling or working with product wear all protective equipment: chemical resistant (neoprene) gloves, rubber apron, rubber boots, face shield or safety goggles. Use only with adequate ventilation. For respiratory protection use NIOSH approved respirator for organic vapors and acid gases. Do not store or use near open flames, electrical arc, or heat.

EXTENT OF WARRANTY

Important Notice to Purchaser (and/or User). Fremont makes no warranty of any kind, expressed or implied, except that the materials sold hereunder shall be of Fremont's standard quality, and Buyer assumes all risk and liability whatsoever, resulting from the use of such materials, whether used singly or in combination with other substances. This product is NOT for home use—it is for industrial use only!

This product is not to be repackaged for resale without the expressed knowledge and written permission of the manufacturer and without proper and approved warning statements.

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR
Occupational Safety and Health Administration

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MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEET

Required under USDL Safety and Health Regulations for Ship Repairing,
Shipbuilding, and Shipbreaking (29 CFR 1915, 1916, 1917)

SECTION I

MANUFACTURER'S NAME FREMONT INDUSTRIES, INC.		EMERGENCY TELEPHONE NO. (612) 445-4121
ADDRESS (Number, Street, City, State, and ZIP Code) P.O. BOX 67, Valley Industrial Park, Shakopee, MN 55379		
CHEMICAL NAME AND SYNONYMS		TRADE NAME AND SYNONYMS FREMONT 550 Cold Stripper
CHEMICAL FAMILY Solvent - Acid	FORMULA Compounded	

SECTION II - HAZARDOUS INGREDIENTS

PAINTS, PRESERVATIVES, & SOLVENTS	%	TLV (Units)	ALLOYS AND METALLIC COATINGS	%	TLV (Units)
PIGMENTS NA			BASE METAL NA		
CATALYST NA			ALLOYS NA		
VEHICLE NA			METALLIC COATINGS NA		
SOLVENTS NA			FILLER METAL PLUS COATING OR CORE FLUX NA		
ADDITIVES NA			OTHERS		
OTHERS					
HAZARDOUS MIXTURES OF OTHER LIQUIDS, SOLIDS, OR GASES				%	TLV (Units)
Cresylic acid					5 ppm
Formic Acid					5 ppm

SECTION III - PHYSICAL DATA

BOILING POINT (°F.)	104	SPECIFIC GRAVITY (H ₂ O=1)	1.235
VAPOR PRESSURE (mm Hg.)	Unknown	PERCENT VOLATILE BY VOLUME (%)	70.0
VAPOR DENSITY (AIR=1)	Unknown	EVAPORATION RATE (H ₂ O=1)	Unknown
SOLUBILITY IN WATER	Slight,	forms an emulsion.	
APPEARANCE AND ODOR Low viscosity, greenish-brown liquid -acid(acid)odor			

SECTION IV - FIRE AND EXPLOSION HAZARD DATA

FLASH POINT (Method used)	NA	FLAMMABLE LIMITS	Unknown for mixture	Lel	Uel
EXTINGUISHING MEDIA	NA				
SPECIAL FIRE FIGHTING PROCEDURES	NA				
UNUSUAL FIRE AND EXPLOSION HAZARDS	Product contains Methylene Chloride - Will form explosive mixture in atmosphere of high oxygen content.				

SECTION V - HEALTH HAZARD DATA

THRESHOLD LIMIT VALUE

Effects of Overexposure: Irritation of skin and respiratory tract. Loss of consciousness.

Direct contact can cause severe eye and skin injury. Nausea & dizziness.

EMERGENCY AND FIRST AID PROCEDURES

Inhalation: Take to fresh air.

Skin: Flush immediately with water. Contact physician.

Eyes: Flush with water immediately, continue for 15 min. Contact physician immediately.

SECTION VI - REACTIVITY DATA

STABILITY

UNSTABLE

STABLE

X

CONDITIONS TO AVOID

INCOMPATIBILITY: *Materials to avoid*

Avoid contact with strong oxidizing agents - strong alkalies.

HAZARDOUS DECOMPOSITION PRODUCTS

Carbon monoxide and/or carbon dioxide, phosgene and hydrogen chloride.

HAZARDOUS
POLYMERIZATION

MAY OCCUR

WILL NOT OCCUR

X

CONDITIONS TO AVOID

SECTION VII - SPILL OR LEAK PROCEDURES

STEPS TO BE TAKEN IN CASE MATERIAL IS RELEASED OR SPILLED

Wear all protective equipment when cleaning up spills or leaks.

Remove all sources of open flames, sparks or heat. Avoid breathing vapors. Dike and pump into suitable container. Dry mop or use

absorbant to pick up remainder. Place into suitable waste container.

WASTE DISPOSAL METHOD

Dispose of in accordance with local, state or federal regulations. Do not flush into municipal sewer system. Product contains phenol.

SECTION VIII - SPECIAL PROTECTION INFORMATION

RESPIRATORY PROTECTION *(Specify type)*

NIOSH approved respirator for organic vapors and acid gases.

VENTILATION

LOCAL EXHAUST

SPECIAL

MECHANICAL *(General)*

As needed to control vapors.

OTHER

PROTECTIVE GLOVES

Chemical resistant (neoprene).

EYE PROTECTION

Face shield or safety goggles.

OTHER PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT

Apron - boots (chemical resistant).

SECTION IX - SPECIAL PRECAUTIONS

PRECAUTIONS TO BE TAKEN IN HANDLING AND STORAGE

Wear all protective equipment when handling product. Keep container

covered when not in use. Do not store, or use near open flames,

OTHER PRECAUTIONS

electrical arc, or heat. This will decompose the product into

hazardous decomposition products. Do not get into eyes or on skin.

Do not take internally. Can cause severe burns to body tissues.

PAGE (2) Eye wash and safety shower should be provided.

FREMONT PRODUCTS CONTAINING CHLORINATED SOLVENTS

TOXICITY

HANDLING PRECAUTIONS

FIRST AID

The intent of the Occupational Safety and Health Act is to provide a safe and healthful work environment to all employees. In cooperation with this Act, Fremont offers the following:

TOXICITY

Trichloroethylene, perchloroethylene, 1, 1, 1-trichloroethane solvents and methylene chloride are similar in their effects by oral ingestion, eye or skin contact. Although these solvents are all low in oral toxicity and produce varying degrees of skin irritation, Products Compounded With One or More of these solvents as primary ingredients produce much more pronounced effects.

HANDLING

Consequently, it is essential that all persons responsible for the operation or maintenance of a solvent based product and all others who may come in repeated contact with these solvent based products, be thoroughly trained in the proper handling of the product and the equipment in which it is used. Store or use these products in cool, dry area. Do not store under direct sun light. Use caution when removing plugs because of pressure buildup in drum.

SAFETY RULES

All responsible persons should also be cognizant of the hazards, the first aid treatment prescribed in case of accidents, and proper use of protective equipment to safeguard health and promote maximum safety.

TEN BASIC SAFETY RULES:

1. Use chlorinated solvent only in well ventilated areas. Wear protective garments and use protective equipment.
2. Do not use solvent in open containers unless adequate ventilation is provided to draw the vapors away from the working area.
3. Avoid the possibility of exposing the solvent to excessive heat (such as welding operation, furnace or space heaters).
4. A continuing strong or objectionable odor should not be tolerated. It is an indication of excessive solvent vapor in the air. An individual who becomes light headed or dizzy in a solvent area should leave the area immediately and get to outside fresh air.

(SAFETY RULES CONTINUED)

5. Avoid contact with skin and eyes . . . in many cases chlorinated solvent products can cause severe burns to skin and eyes.
6. Do not take internally. Harmful if swallowed.
7. Do not smoke while handling chlorinated solvents.
8. Dispose of dirty or contaminated solvent by placing it in a suitable container. Local health regulations should be observed in the waste disposal of the product.
9. Do not heat solvents or use heated water for rinsing. Do not atomize solvents through sprayers or other means.
10. Do not enter a tank without having assurance of complete aeration, and a second man standing by to observe the man inside at all times.

HAZARDS AND TREATMENT YOU SHOULD KNOW ABOUT WHEN USING PRODUCTS CONTAINING CHLORINATED SOLVENTS.

SKIN

Use solvent resistant gloves, and discard when evidence of deterioration appears.

Frequent contact can defat tissue and may cause dermatitis. If solvent is confined to the skin, so that it cannot evaporate, a burn may result.

If skin is exposed, remove soaked clothing and wash skin with running water immediately. Do not wear soaked clothing until it is thoroughly washed and dried.

EYES

Use goggles (acid type splash-proof) and preferably faceshield to protect from eye injury.

Compound solvent when spattered into the eyes may result in serious injury to eyes.

In case of contact, immediately flush eyes thoroughly with large amounts of water. Obtain medical attention immediately.

ORAL

Never store in unlabeled or improperly labeled container. Keep out of reach of children.

The swallowing of such product may cause severe burns, illness or death, depending upon the quantity.

Call a physician promptly if swallowed. Induce vomiting by tickling the throat with the forefinger or by compelling the patient to drink milk. In case of unconsciousness follow procedures listed on next page (3).

INHALATION Use only with adequate ventilation.

Inhalation of excessive amounts of solvent vapor may produce an anesthetic effect, but is not likely to cause organic injury.

Use of gas masks, hose masks, breathing apparatus, may be necessary depending upon operation.

Remove to fresh air, obtain medical attention at once. If breathing stops, artificial respiration should be used. Mouth to mouth is the most effective and easiest method. When breathing starts, oxygen should be administered. If the heart has stopped, give closed-chest cardiac massage, but only if properly trained to recognize and treat this condition.

TO THE PHYSICIAN: Epinephrine and other drugs with similar activity on the heart may produce serious arrhythmias and should never be given to a person overcome with any chlorinated hydrocarbon, particularly when there is co-existent anoxia.

SPECIAL CAUTION . . . Chlorinated solvent vapors are heavier than air, and they tend to concentrate in enclosures such as tanks and pits. Entry into tanks and other vessels, without proper protective equipment and proper breathing apparatus, could result in exposure to extremely high vapor concentrations which may cause dizziness, unconsciousness and death.

DECOMPOSITION HAZARDS . . . Poor ventilation may also cause corrosiveness due to fumes, vapor and degraded gas due to heat or source of flames.

No one should be permitted to remain in the area contaminated by leaking or otherwise malfunctioning equipment. Improperly operating equipment is a health hazard for anyone.

SAFETY EQUIPMENT . . . Safety garments and protective equipment should be provided to safeguard the health and safety of degreaser operators and maintenance men and all other persons working with solvents. Garments, however, are not intended to substitute for proper operation and maintenance practices. The equipment manufacturer's instructions should be followed at all times.

SUGGESTED GARMENTS AND EQUIPMENT

Gloves: polyvinyl alcohol plastic or neoprene.

Apron: polyvinyl alcohol plastic or neoprene.

Goggles: acid type splash-proof.

Shoes: rubber boots.

NOTE: PVA plastic, though solvent resistant, is soluble in water.

MAINTENANCE MEN'S EQUIPMENT:

Goggles: should be gas tight.

For entering tank or enclosed space it is recommended that a rescue harness and lifeline be used.

Air line masks with proper reduction valves and filter or self-contained breathing equipment with stored oxygen or air or approved industrial gas masks with canisters suitable for use with chlorinated solvent vapors.

Approved industrial gas masks are permissible for use in vapor concentrations of less than 2% and where there is no deficiency of atmospheric oxygen. They should not be used for exposures exceeding one-half hour.